



Proposed Code Change
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Code 45.6.2.1-09

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Code Title 2009 Indiana Residential Code		Edition First Edition
Section number and title R314.2.1 Alterations and additions		Page 1 of 2
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PROPOSED CODE CHANGE (Check One)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change to read as follows <input type="checkbox"/> Add to read as follows <input type="checkbox"/> Delete and substitute as follows <input type="checkbox"/> Delete without substitution		
<p>This amendment modifies an existing Indiana Amendments that were previously accepted by this committee, catalog numbers 45.6-09 and 45.6.2-09.</p> <p>R314.2.1 Alterations and additions. When interior alterations or additions <u>are made in a dwelling creating a space that needs a smoke alarm(s) as required by this code, or where the smoke alarm system is modified requiring a permit occur, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in existing dwellings,</u> the individual dwelling unit shall be provided with smoke alarms located as required for new dwellings; the smoke alarms' <u>power source shall be interconnected and hard wired</u> <u>comply with Section R314.5.</u></p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <p>1. Smoke alarms in existing areas shall not be required to meet the requirements of R314.5 where the alterations do not result in the removal of the interior wall or ceiling finishes exposing the structure unless there is an attic, crawlspace, or basement available that could provide access for hard wiring and interconnection without the removal of interior finishes.</p> <p>2. Repairs are exempt from the requirements of this section.</p>		
REASON		

This proposal is being submitted in response to concerns over the requirement for upgrading of smoke alarm systems after unrelated remodeling in a dwelling. The trigger for the upgrading of the smoke alarm system has been changed from the issuance of a permit (some counties may not even require a permit for interior remodeling) to the creation of spaces that would require a smoke alarm, or the modification of the smoke alarm system; the system would be required to meet current requirements after either of these instances.

Fiscal impact: no increase to the cost of construction, this proposal decrease the overall cost of construction \$600 to \$800 dollars per occurrence of unrelated remodeling.

REVIEW RECOMMENDATION
Approve
Disapprove
Approve as amended
Further Study